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AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

In response to the August 6, 2002, office action, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

In The Claims:

Please delete claims ~~3~~, ~~4~~, ~~18-21~~, ~~25-28~~, ~~32-35~~, ~~39-42~~, and ~~46-55~~.

Please add new claims 56-74 as follows:

56. (New) The isolated nucleic acid molecule according to claim 8, wherein the nucleic acid molecule is a plant nucleic acid molecule.

ai 57. (New) An expression vector comprising a transcriptional and translational regulatory DNA molecule operably linked to a nucleic acid molecule according to claim 8.